

**sex
machines**

photographs and interviews



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Eric Wilson has just quit his job at Lowe's Hardware when I meet him at his home in Lancaster, Ohio. He is now devoted full time to his one year-old business called "The Love Locker, Inc.," which is operated out of his two-car garage. He also works part-time for the local police force.

Eric sells "The Little Almighty," "The Love Locker," and unique, occasional creations like his "Gothic Sex Chair," and a tripod-mounted machine that is decorated to look like a machine gun, complete with plastic bullets, called the "RUGettinIt."

Talking to Eric about his business, words like fidelity, caring, marriage, and responsibility come up more often than details about revolutions per minute or depth of penetration. The Love Locker website includes a first-person story about how these machines saved his marriage, and details about how he and his wife use them. He tells me the story as we drive to a local hardware store to get some special order parts.

Me and my wife are a perfect match. She can finish my sentences for me. She supports me in anything I do. I have a great wife. I could not ask for a better person in my life. But Jenny and I had been married eight years, we had two kids, and things were just different. It wasn't like we were newlyweds anymore. We were both 28. Well, somehow I had to find a way to bring sparks back to our marriage.

I knew she fantasized about being with two guys, but we just weren't ready for that. I had come across a mannequin and I thought that might be a neat thing to bring into our bedroom. I got the mannequin dressed up in jeans and a work shirt, and I fit him with a dildo. Well, my wife and I made love using this guy, this mannequin. It really turned her on. I mean, she was into it...but not all the way.

I wondered how much more real would it seem if I made an actual sex machine that was having sex with her as she was performing oral on me, or whatever. So I went out to the garage one day and started tinkering around, and eventually put together our first machine. It was powered by an electric drill. It was clunky and not smooth at all, but Jenny and I got busy, making love together and using the machine like it was another partner, and it was dynamite. I mean paint came off of the walls it was so great... Jenny loved it. And because she loved it, I loved it too. We made love that night for hours and the next morning she had this glow about her. It was like the first time we had ever had sex together. The rest of the week was the same, until I just had to tell her no more. In seven years, I have never had to tell my wife that I can't, or that I was too tired. But I was!

Well after a few months, the Love Locker just got better and better. One day my friend said, "You should sell that on EBay." I did and it sold for \$550! The guy who bought it gave me some pointers, my wife gave me some pointers...all the while, I'm walking the floors of a hardware store for my job. Being sexually preoccupied and working at Lowe's really came together then. I started singling out different items in the store just to make things better. I'd start seeing things here and there. I got to a point where I had a process: I could make them cheaply and quickly. Well, that was the beginning of something big.



I've always had such a strong sexual drive that I actually looked into chemical castration. Both ends of the extremes are hell! I mean, while other kids were working hard to get into college, I was working hard to get into a girl's pants. It's always been that way for me, until I met my wife. Then it changed and I began to understand women and value romance.

A lot of people just give up. You don't know how many guys come to me and say, "Awww man, I haven't gotten laid in months." Their wives aren't interested. I turn it back to them. I ask them, "What are you doing to make her want to give you any? Are you trying to make her feel good, are you trying to keep that spark between you?" And I don't just mean buying a sex machine for her! I mean figuring out what she needs...maybe it's doing the dishes, sweeping the floor, just making her feel appreciated. Guys don't know what women want and they typically aren't willing to listen. I try to help them in that department...and that's what I hope to do with Love Locker.

On the way back from the store Eric stops at a local doughnut drive-thru for a cup of coffee to bring home to his wife.

I bring Jenny home a cup of coffee and she just lights up, it's like it makes her day. And being married, one thing I've learned is how to keep the wife happy. Hahahaha...I guess that's also how this whole business got started.

